

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION

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THE FOLLOWING REPORT ON THE QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, APRIL 8, 1983, HAS BEEN REPRODUCED IN THE HOTLINE REPORT. IT ARRIVED TOO LATE FOR INCLUSION IN THE SUMMER ISSUE OF QCWA NEWS. THREE FULL PAGES IN LENGTH, IT HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT REDUCED IN SIZE TO PERMIT PRINTING OF THE ENTIRE PROCEEDINGS.

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1) Pursuant to due notice, the Board of Directors of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc., met in session at the Ramada Inn, Irving, TX on April 8, 1983. The meeting was called to order at 9:13 AM with President Stuart Meyer, W2GHK in the Chair. Directors present were: Wade Holland, W4AZT; Gerhard Jacoby, DL3ME and Ethel Smith, K4LMB. Also present as members of the Board were: Wes Randles, W4COW, Treasurer; Max Arnold, W4WHN, Secretary; and Ted Heithecker, W5EJ, General Manager. Attending as Guests of the Board were Director nominees: George J. Apfel W2GHV; Esther Given, W6BDE; Hal Sears, W5NC and Jim Walsh, W7LVN. Headquarters staff members invited to sit with the Board and available for questions were: Rollie Terrill, W5RC and Nadine Wells, W5ZUT.

2) On motion of Treasurer Randles, it was VOTED that the minutes of the 1982 September meeting of the Board of Directors are approved in the form in which they were issued.

3) The President's report covered QCWA's request to the FCC for an extension of time for filing on the Volunteer Examiner Program; Extension of time for filing comments on the No-Code license requirements; Travels of the President; the new 20-meter phone band expansion; NIAC; amateur examinations; QCWA Museum and the resumption of a column in World Radio.

4) The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were presented to the Board and were accepted.

5) General Manager Heithecker reported that new members were increasing at the rate of 100 per month with the latest membership number being 16941 as of the 7th of April. Headquarters is working toward completion of Life Membership report which will expedite working with this group. Also discussed was the Certificate status which is now current. It was also noted that turn-around time for membership correspondence was normally within 36 hours.

6) On motion of Treasurer Randles, it was VOTED that the Wyoming Chapter; High Plains Chapter; Northwest Ohio Chapter and the North Colorado Chapter be approved by the Board.

7) General Manager Heithecker presented the report for the 1983 National Convention Committee. The Board meeting will commence Friday, September 30th and continue into Saturday as required. There will be an Open Forum that afternoon with the banquet scheduled for that evening. Many activities are planned for the attendees.

8) The Yankee Chapter has submitted their request to hold the 1984 National Convention with the location being in or near Hartford, CT. Discussion of the 1985 National Convention centered around the possibility of it being held in the Carolinas.

9) Committee work on a position description of the Activities Manager is proceeding and there is also consideration of revisions and standardization of QCWA operating activities which will be presented in the committees report at the National Convention.

10) Director Smith, QCWA representative to NIAC furnished a report on the reorganization presently being carried out and the effect on its future. The Board accepted the report with thanks.

11) By motion of Treasurer Randles, it was moved that the bid of the Yankee Chapter to sponsor the 1984 National Convention be accepted. The date to fall between the time frame of September 20th through October 10th, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

12) The Board took under consideration possible steps to be taken toward objecting to the latest ruling which allows the use of profanity on the amateur frequencies. It is felt from comments, that the membership will oppose any such FCC policy.

13) Taken under consideration was the possible No-Code license. The Board felt that the majority of membership will oppose this move. Board members will be actively seeking membership comments and then work with Vice-President Smith with a FCC filing under consideration. Comments were submitted by Director Jacoby on the European No-Code license. The Board then recessed for lunch from 12:04 PM until 1:20 PM.

14) The Board reconvened with all Directors, Officers and invited guests present.

15) It was requested and agreed that Vice-President Smith will coordinate efforts of the Board to comments being formalized for filing with the FCC regarding the Volunteer Examination Program and to determine how QCWA can best participate.

16) Further details were presented by President Meyer on his next visit to the QCWA Museum for further discussion on the records and displays. Also furnished was information on the possible resumption of articles within World Radio soon.

17) Director Smith moved that the QCWA Golden Certificate program be modified as follows:

1. The Golden Award Certificates will be reduced to 8½ by 11 inches to permit easier framing and handling costs.
2. Headquarters will begin modification of records which will provide automatic Golden Awards issued timely without membership application which will be based on membership records.
3. Golden Award certificates will be issued as a single Certificate with appropriate endorsements issued automatically at five year intervals.
4. Because of the near impossibility of fairly administering the Fifty Year Continuously Licensed Award, the Board has determined that this award will be discontinued effective August 1, 1983. Headquarters will implement the above program for all new members as quickly as supplies can be assembled. Work to research the records and to modify computer processing to make the added member service available to all as rapidly as possible.

18) Also discussed were other Honorary Awards which included the Hall of Fame; Member of the Year and the Roll of Honor with an aim to disseminate information of these awards to the membership.

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- 19) It was moved by Secretary Arnold that Hal Sears, W5NC, be named current Chairman of the Annual Awards Committee and that the Chairman shall appoint not more than eight QCWA members to this committee. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 20) It was moved by Treasurer Randles that the Board sustain the recommendations of the Awards Committee that Jean Wolff, LXIJW, be elected into the QCWA Hall of Fame. APPROVED.
- 21) The Board next undertood discussion of the Silent Key Scholarship Fund. It was decided that one important aim is to obtain additional publicity about our QCWA recipients. Also discussed was the possibility of our assuming selection of our recipients. The conclusion was that FAR was doing an excellent job and that we should continue to work with them in the selection process.
- 22) It was moved by Treasurer Randles that QCWA award three scholarships in the amount of Five Hundred dollars each for 1983. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 23) Director Holland was requested by the Board to work toward revising the present election guidelines with aim toward the future.
- 24) After discussion, the General Manager was directed by the full Board to include the class of amateur license of each nominee in the published biography to be included with the ballots in the coming issue of QCWA NEWS.
- 25) It was reported that the Life Membership Sustaining Fund Report is almost complete and will be presented to the Board by January 1, 1984
- 26) It was moved by Treasurer Randles that Director Jacoby, DL3ME, be appointed "International Representative". APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 27) It was moved by Director Smith that QCWA Policy has been established that QCWA Chapters WILL NOT affiliate with any other organization. After extended discussion which also touched on foreign chapter legal liability, the vote
- was called for. The motion was APPROVED with Director Jacoby wishing to abstain.
- 28) It was moved by Director Holland that the President of QCWA is directed to investigate with appropriate members of the Federal Communications Commission the possibility of specially selected QCWA volunteers working with FCC personnel to provide administrative assistance for those cases where radio amateurs wish to secure their former calls or a special call, if available. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 29) The President appoинte Onie Woodward, W1ZEN, as head of the new nominating committee. Advisor will be Vice-President Smith.
- 30) It was moved by Director Smith that QCWA donate \$1,000 to the ARRL Hiram Percy Maxim Award Fund. The motion died for want of a second.
- 31) The meeting was recessed at 5:22PM Central Standard time.
- 32) The Board met Saturday for an Informal Open Meeting. One item discussed and to be determined is the desire of membership for stationary for their use. Several Awards were presented with Golden Anniversary Awards being given to Stuart Meyer, W2GHK; Frank Lester, W5ATM; George Apfel, W2GKV and Wes Randles, W4COW. The 55th Anniversary Award was presented to Gerhard Jacoby, DL3ME.
- 33) The Board was formally reconvened at 2:11PM. Saturday the 9th, with all members present with exception of General Manager Heithecker who had been called from the meeting due to a death in the immediate family.
- 34) Among additional items discussed during the Board meeting were: An Educational Program; QCWA Material for Fairs and Conventions; Criteria for Honor Awards; Building Fund; Long Range Planning Committee; Directors Handbook, and the International Net. The Board adjourned sine die at 2:13 PM by motion of Treasurer Randles having been in official session for a total of 6 hours and 55 minutes.

/S/ Max Arnold, W4WHN, Secretary.

QCWA IS PLEASED TO WELCOME IT'S NEWEST CHAPTER. THE CHARTER, ISSUED MAY 1, 1983, TO THE

LONG BEACH AREA CHAPTER OF QCWA
No. 144

THE CHARTER WAS ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO A PETITION SIGNED BY 47 MEMBERS OF QCWA (in good standing) WHO HAVE ELECTED THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS:

Ray A. Furlong, W6QIL, President
Lyle B. Gardner, N6LB, Secretary

CONGRATULATIONS ARE DUE TO THOSE WHO HAVE WORKED TO BRING THE CHAPTER INTO EXISTANCE!

WE HAVE RECEIVED WORD THAT THE NORTH COLORADO CHAPTER OF QCWA WILL HOLD ITS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON MAY 13, 1983. WE ARE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THE MEETING.

THE SUMMER ISSUE OF QCWA NEWS HAS BEEN SENT TO THE PRINTER. IT IS PROMISED OUT TO THE MAILING SERVICE FOR MAY 9, 1983, IN TIME TO MAKE ENTRY INTO THE U. S. MAILS WELL BEFORE OUR DEADLINE OF MAY 15, 1983. SINCE THE ISSUE DOES CONTAIN THE OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 1983, WE ARE SENDING THE ISSUE VIA AIRMAIL TO ALL MEMBERS OF QCWA OFF THE NORTH AMERICAN CONTINENT, OR OUTSIDE THE USPS ZIP CODE AREA. CONSIDERABLE EXPENSE IS ATTACHED TO THIS PROCEDURE, BUT WITH THE EXTENDED LIST OF CANDIDATES, IT WOULD REQUIRE TEN PAGES OF MATERIAL IN ANY EVENT. OUR INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE THE BALLOT WELL BEFORE OUR DOMESTIC MEMBERS RECEIVE THEM.

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HQ HAS MODIFIED OUR COMPUTER PROGRAMMING SO AS TO PERMIT THE PRINTING AND RECORD KEEPING MADE NECESSARY UNDER THE NEW PROGRAM ESTABLISHED FOR AUTOMATIC ISSUANCE OF GOLDEN AWARDS TO MEMBERS. IT HAS BECOME NECESSARY THAT WE ESTABLISH A FILE SHOWING THE FIRST DATE OF LICENSING FOR ALL MEMBERS (YEAR ONLY). WE ARE NOW ABLE TO ENTER THIS MATERIAL IN OUR DATA BASE...IT IS ONLY NECESSARY THAT THE MATERIAL BE ORGANIZED SO THAT IT CAN BE CORRECTLY ENTERED. WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE GOLDEN AWARD RECORDS AND GRADUALLY INCLUDE ALL MEMBERS. THE MAILING LABELS USED TO MAIL TO MEMBERS WILL LIST THE YEAR (TWO DIGITS ONLY) SO THAT YOU CAN BE AWARE OF OUR DECISION. LABELS ARE ISSUED IN THE FOLLOWING FORMAT...THE LAST TWO DIGITS AT THE RH END OF THE UPPER LINE WILL SHOW THE YEAR OF LICENSING;

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IT IS HOPED THAT THE WORK CAN BE COMPLETE BY DECEMBER 31, 1983.

HQ HAS BEGUN TO RECEIVE LETTERS FROM CHAPTERS IN RESPONSE TO OUR LETTER OF APRIL 12, 1983, SENT TO ALL CHAPTERS, REGARDING THE PROBLEM OF CHAPTER AFFILIATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. YANKEE CHAPTER AND CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER HAVE RESPONDED AT THIS TIME.

WE HAVE RECEIVED WORD THAT VICE PRESIDENT LELAND SMITH, W5KL, HAS BEEN HOSPITALIZED FOR BY-PASS SURGERY. AT THE TIME OF WRITING HE IS PROGRESSING WELL. WE ARE ALL PRAYING FOR HIS SPEEDY RECOVERY.

THE SUMMER ISSUE OF QCWA NEWS WAS SO CHOCK FULL OF INFORMATION THAT MUCH HAD TO BE BRIEFED...THE REPORTS ON THE QSO PARTY WERE CONDENSED....BUT, THE WORK OF THE SPACEPORT CHAPTER IN HANDLING THE LOGS, AND GENERAL SPONSORSHIP OF THE PARTY IS APPRECIATED. THE REPORT, PREPARED BY N4IN, WAS COMPLETE AND A DELIGHT TO BEHOLD TO THEM, A GREAT THANK YOU!

HQ ASKS THAT ALL MEMBERSHIP FORMS USED BE EITHER FORM 11AB OR 11AA (US MEMBERS). THESE ARE DATED 1983, AND HAVE THE CORRECT MEMBERSHIP FEES AND OTHER INFO. TNX.

THE LATEST ADDITION TO QCWA MEMBERSHIP (May 3, 1983) IS:

Samuel Geller, W3MQF (17029)
6700 Chippewa Drive
Baltimore, MD 21209

Sam is retired, was an engineer, and has ham-radio, computing & photography as hobbies. Welcome Sam! THE HLR IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AT A COST OF \$6 PER YEAR. NO LESS THAN 10 ISSUES ANNUALLY. OVERSEAS MEMBERS RECEIVE THE HLR REPORT WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE FOUR TIME ANNUALLY...FEB. MAY, AUGUST & NOVEMBER. REMEMBER--BALLOTS ARE IN THE MAIL - WATCH FOR THE SUMMER NEWS, PAGE 49, MARK YOUR BALLOT AND RETURN IT PROMPTLY. SUNCOAST CHAPTER OF QCWA WILL BE TELLERS FOR THE BALLOTTING!

HAPPY SUMMERTIME!



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